

# SUFFRAGE TO FORE

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## WOMEN MAKING HEADWAY

Plan for Invasion of South, Where the Opposition is Strongest—Farmers Are Said to Be "Coming Over Strong."

By GEORGE CLINTON.

Washington.—Next to Mexico and the trusts, suffrage is the chief subject of enervating interest to congress and the populace in the city of Washington today. Senator Ashurst of Arizona has charge of the resolution proposing a constitutional suffrage amendment and every time he brings it within sight of his brethren of the senate there is a clashing of arms and a sounding of trumpets.

It seems that some of the senators think it is best to wait yet awhile "for political reasons," before voting on the constitutional amendment proposition. They have an idea that suffrage will prevail in two-thirds of the states before long as the result of state enacted laws and that then every senator can vote for the amendment without any fear of trouble at home, because he can say to his opposing constituents that two-thirds of the states of the Union are in favor of it and therefore it is useless to "kick against the pricks."

It is apparent in Washington that even the strongest opponents of the woman suffrage movement seem to believe that eventually it will prevail all over the United States. Those who so think base their belief simply on the progress which suffrage has made within the last few years, virtually an uninterrupted progress. Some men who are opposed to it say they are just as much opposed to it as ever, but that it is to come into its own and therefore before long they must get themselves into a mood to accept the inevitable. These same men say that if it does come it will prove itself to be a failure because they have an idea that woman will get tired of voting and that in time to come, while the privilege will be hers, she will not take advantage of it.

### Hardest Fight in South.

The women of the country who are devoted to the suffrage cause have realized for a great many years that their hardest fight is to be made in the South. Most of the southern members in congress are opposed to woman suffrage. At the suffrage headquarters in this city a plan has been made to invade the South in behalf of the cause of suffrage. A committee composed of noted women, good speakers all of them and representing every element in the suffrage cause, soon will make a trip through the South in a private car and will speak in many of the larger cities and probably in scores of the smaller places which lie between.

Dr. Anna Howard Shaw, president of the National Suffrage association, heads the list of the invaders. With her will go Mrs. Stanley McCormick, Mrs. Susan Fitzgerald and Mrs. Rantz-Reese of Boston, Mrs. Antoinette Funk, a sister-in-law of the Progressive party's candidate for governor of Illinois; Mrs. Deana Breckenridge, a member of the famous Breckenridge family of Kentucky, and Mrs. Medill McCormick, daughter of the late Senator Mark Hanna of Ohio.

### Farmers Being Converted.

The farmers of the country showed in the last campaign that they were not as strong for the suffrage movement as the women expected. Now it is declared at the headquarters of the suffragists in Washington that the farmers are "coming over strong." They say, taking Ohio as an example, that from all over that state there is a demand for suffrage speakers, and for suffrage organization, and that the movement is so general that women are confident that at the next election their cause will be sanctioned. A woman suffrage amendment to the Ohio constitution is to be submitted at the next general election in that state.

Congress is tremendously stirred up over this woman suffrage question and it has been so stirred up all winter. There are a good many representatives, especially from the northern states, who while at heart opposed to woman suffrage are afraid that woman's opposition may hurt them at the polls. The women are taking advantage of this situation and are now preparing to wage campaigns against all anti-suffrage candidates for congress in the campaign of next fall.

### Freight Case Undecided.

The months are rapidly passing and yet the interstate commerce commission is still at its work trying to determine definitely and properly whether or not the great railroad corporations of the western country are entitled to tack five per cent additional on the charges for carrying freight. It was thought recently that no decision in the case could be reached until next September. President Wilson became worried over the delay, and while he could not interpose personally for fear of having it charged that he was trying to prejudice the case, it was announced quickly that a decision probably would be reached before June.

The members of the commission have in their employment Louis W. Brandeis as special counsel. It is he who is presenting the commission's side of the case, which in a way means the shippers' and the consumers'

side. Brandeis has made a study of railroad conditions and while a good many people think he is somewhat prejudiced, his knowledge of conditions and his ability as a lawyer are said to be of great service to the commission in finding out the truth as between the conflicting statements of witnesses to the two sides of the presented case.

The country probably has no realizing sense of the immense quantity of material which must be gone through before a decision can be reached in this advanced rate case. The charge is that some of the railroads are either paying on watered stock or trying so to do, and that if they had issued no stock without ample foundation for it, they would all be now in a prosperous condition, and would not need to ask an advance in freight rates. There is one big railroad which is paying a five per cent dividend and which some men declare would be paying 40 per cent if the securities which it had issued had a basis more stable than water.

### Innocent Investors' Plea.

Now of course thousands of innocent people have bought this watered stock and they are expecting their dividends, and they maintain that if an advance rate is necessary to enable them to realize on their money the increase should be allowed because they made their purchases in good faith and should not be made to suffer for the sins of railroad officials and great bankers who have helped to manipulate things so as to benefit peculiarly the few to the injury of the many.

It is little to be wondered that there has been slow progress in reaching a decision in this case. The shippers who do not want to pay advance freight rates have been sending in their protests with their reasons for opposing the increase which if granted of course they will have to pay. The stockholders are sending in their pleas for an increase. The railroads are endeavoring to show how they are obliged to conduct business at a loss under the present return on freight shipments. The financial operations of the roads in the past are being laid bare in the rooms of the interstate commerce commission. The matter is a deep one and the hope is that one way or the other the members of the commission will be unanimous in its final decision.

### Civil Pensions Up Again.

There has been introduced into congress a bill to create a commission to consider the matter of pensions for aged government employees. There is reason to believe that the bill is likely to pass. The commission if appointed will be expected to submit a plan for what must be called, even if so calling it is unpalatable, a scheme to create a civil pension list. Ever since the foundation of the government there has been objection to pensions for civilians. It has been hard work even to secure the passage of legislation giving the widows of army officers of high service, pensions sufficient for their support. Of course army officers' widows have a pension which is fixed by law, but whenever it has been attempted to increase the pension largely, strong opposition has been shown by the lawmakers. There are few civil pensioners of the government today and virtually none outside of those who have had some connection direct or indirect with the armed services of the country.

For years attempts have been made to get congress to "consider the civil veterans." Members of congress have had the necessities in the case before their eyes in their daily walks. When one passes the treasury building, for instance, at the hour when work is about to begin, or just after it has ended, he sees men and women of advanced years going in or coming out of the big structure, some of them on crutches and others almost being carried to their desks. Congressmen have looked on these scenes for years and it has been the looking on them which has moved scores of representatives to introduce bills for the pensioning of the aged and decrepit. The introduction of the bills heretofore always has been just so much wasted effort.

In Continental Europe and in England they have set the example of pensioning aged government workers, and the pillars of state of the countries which have shown generosity have not been shaken from their foundations by the government act.

Official Washington is beginning to look with different eyes upon this situation. Always there has been sympathy for the aged who had to stay at their work in order to live, but always the thought that a civil pension system was utterly wrong has moved the majority of the law-makers to withhold the vote necessary to remedy a condition which certainly seems to appeal for remedy.

### Talk of Old Age Pensions.

Not only are congressmen looking more kindly on proposals to pensions for government employees, but they are occasionally talking of pensioning all worthy men and women who have served the state by leading decent lives and who in their old age must face either penury in the cities or towns or the poor house with its self-respect killing conditions.

It may be that the bill which Mr. Reilly of Connecticut has just introduced into the house, will not pass and that no commission to study the pension question will be appointed, but if such a bill shall fall this year, it will pass next year or the year after. The time of old age pensions for government clerks is coming and coming quickly. Just beyond the day of its coming there probably is the other day of pensions for aged Americans who have done their duty by the republic in whatever walk of life.

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Richard Le Gallienne was sympathizing with a young writer whose book of poetry had been refused by 20 publishers.

"Real lovers of poetry," said Mr. Le Gallienne, "are unfortunately becoming rare. Too many people nowadays are like the judge."

"This judge was recommended by a poetic friend to read Shelley. The great man of the law said he supposed he ought to read a little poetry, and having heard so much of Shelley, he would try him."

"And what do you think of it?" said his friend to the judge after he had waded through a few pages of "Epipsychidion." "Isn't it beautiful?" "Well, well—oh, yes—I dare say it is," said the judge, "but what I want to know is, when are we going to get at the facts?"

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### Not Much of a Mystery.

Two newspaper men met on the street of one of the large cities, spoke their minds freely, and told the truth, one to another. "Well," said Smith, "I hear that old Jones, editor of the Trumpet, was found dead in his office last night." "Yes, so I hear," answered Brown. "Foul play is suspected, of course," he added. "That's the police theory. But why should anybody kill him? Had his paper been making any enemies?" "None at all, as far as I can hear. You know he had stopped all sensationalism and was printing a pure, modest, highly moral family paper." "Aha! That explains it!" "Who could have killed him?" "He wasn't murdered, man. He starved to death."—San Francisco Argonaut.

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### Intermittent.

Knicker—Any luck? Bocker—No, the fish seemed to be in part time schools.

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## RETORT SHOULD HAVE STUNG

Magazine Writer, His Suit Rejected, Delivers Himself of Most Ungallant Speech.

"Your aristocratic American millionaire will often make a mesalliance, and marry a chorus girl or a parlor maid. But I notice that your aristocratic American millionaire, always keeping her head, makes a good match."

The speaker was Mme. Montessori, the Italian educationalist. She continued:

"On my way hither on the boat there was a beautiful American heiress to whom a young magazine writer from the west paid assiduous court. But he, on account of the low rates of the magazine, was as poor as a church mouse, and so the heiress would not consider him seriously."

"As they leaned side by side over the rail one afternoon, the heiress, looking over the rolling waters, sighed and said:

"I love the sea."

"The impoverished and embittered magazine writer retorted with a sneer:

"I don't see why. It hasn't got any money."

## CANADA WINNING CHAMPIONSHIPS IN AGRICULTURE

The Latest Is Winning Championship for Oats a Third Time.

Recently was published the fact of remarkable winnings by Canadian farmers in several events during the past three or four years. The latest is that of Messrs. J. C. Hill & Sons of Lloydminster, Saskatchewan, who won in a hard contest for the oat championship over Montana. At the National Corn Exposition at Dallas during February, Montana oats were awarded the championship for the United States. Waiting for the winner of this to be announced was a peck of oats belonging to the Canadian growers above mentioned, and alongside of these was a like quantity belonging to a Minnesota grower, who was barred from the regular competition because he was at one time the winner of the trophy—the prize. The three entries were side by side on the judge's bench. It would not be possible to bring together three more likely samples. The Montana and Saskatchewan entries were of equal weight—50 pounds to the bushel. The Minnesota sample was some three pounds lighter. The award was unanimous in favor of the Saskatchewan oats. A remarkable feature and one greatly to the credit of the Canadian product was that the oats, grown in 1913, were grown and shown by those who had competed during the past two years, winning on each occasion. This, the third winning, gave them for the third time the world's championship and full possession of the splendid \$1,500 silver trophy contributed by the state of Colorado.

The oats which have thus given to Western Canada another splendid advertising card, were grown 300 miles north of the international boundary line, proving that in this latitude, all the smaller grains can be grown with greater perfection and with more abundant yield than further south. In all this country are to be found farmers who produce oats running from 42 to 48 pounds to the bushel, and with yields of from 60 to 100 bushels per acre. Wheat also does well, grades high, and yields from 30 to 40 bushels per acre. The same may be said of any portion of Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta, famed over the world not only as a country where championship grains are grown, but where cattle and horses are raised that also carry off championships and where wild grasses are abundant, yielding, cultivated hay and alfalfa are grown, thus giving plenty of feed, and with a good climate, sufficient shelter and plenty of water, bring about results such as western Canada has been able to record. Thousands of farmers from the United States who have their homes in Canada bear ample testimony to the benefits they have derived from farming in western Canada.—Advertisement.

### Plan for Mother.

The bedtime hour was at hand, but after usual preparations for the night Violet hesitated over her prayers. After a moment's silence she said:

"Mummy dear, are our prayers answered?"

"Why, yes, dear!" replied Mamma.

"But what a question, dear!"

"I asked because, if they are, why do you smack me? Why don't you pray for me to be a good girl? It would be so much more comfy."

### Very Final.

"What's the matter?" "She has rejected me again. She says this is final." "Did she say how final?" inquired the older and more experienced man.

And many a girl wastes her time trying to cultivate vocal range when a cooking range would be more in her line.

## Eats Freely But Has No Dyspepsia

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J. W. GOUCHER

Fortunate is the one who can eat "anything" without suffering the tortures of dyspepsia, but as few are so fortunate, care should be taken in the matter of diet. Eating slowly, masticating the food thoroughly and taking a short walk after the heavy meal of the day will do much towards assisting digestion. Any grown-up person ought to know the peculiar foods that do not agree, and these should be avoided.

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